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Patent Application for:  
MANUALLY ACTUATED BRAKE SYSTEM FOR  
MANUALLY TOWABLE VEHICLE

Dear Sir:

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3. eleven sheets of informal patent drawings (figures 1-11);
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6. Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449, and references.

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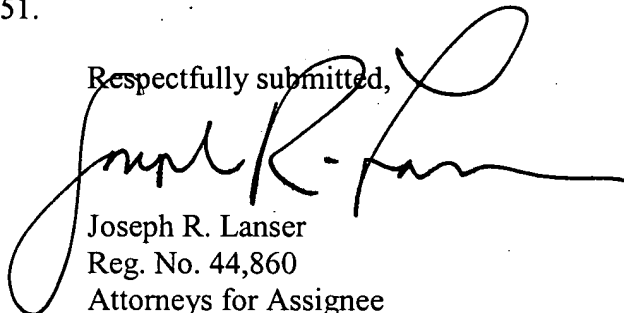
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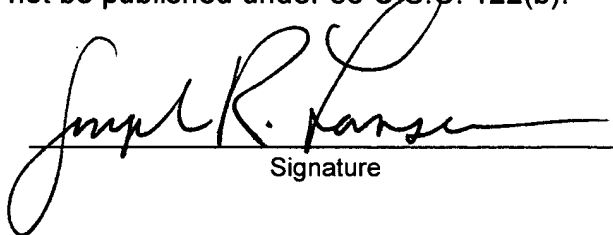
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